



**Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 15th January 2024 at 7.15pm
Eastwell Village Hall**

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Eaton Parish Council to be held on the Monday 15th January 2024 at 7.15pm

Members of the Public are invited to attend the above meeting. Public Participation will take place before the start of the meeting for a period of ten minutes and once the meeting has commenced members of the public are requested not to speak unless invited.

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6th January 2024

Agenda

- 1 Public Time
- 2 Apologies for absence
- 3 To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations
- 4 Borough and County Councillor Time
- 5 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the 11th December 2023
- 6 To consider matters arising
 - /1 to consider progress with MVAS
 - /2 to consider further action on the 2024 Forbidden Festival and the Vale Group Parishes invite.
 - /3 to review progress on a triennial tree survey
- 7 To receive the Clerk's report
 - /1 to consider a renaming of the Parish Council
 - /2 to note changes to Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (see attached)
- 8 Correspondence
Emails:
- 9 Planning:
 - /1 23/00991/Ful Sheriff Lodge Manor Lane Goadby Marwood
Single storey self-build unit, to be used as an agricultural workers dwelling.
- 10 Eaton
- 11 Eastwell
- 12 Goadby Marwood
 - /1 November 23/2964/1 -to discuss action re Priory Agriculture's approach to
bridleways on the periphery of the Goadby Marwood towards Eastwell (Cllr Greasley)

further progress re site visit with Ellen Senior (Access Officer, Safe and Sustainable
Travel)

- 13 To consider matters for discussion and resolution
 /1 to consider renewing access points currently with stiles. (Cllr Bridge)
 /2 to discuss the current website provision (Cllr Nelson)
 /3 to discuss the employment of a "Yardman" (Cllr Nelson)
- 14 Finance
 /1 December 2023 payments to be approved (see attached)
- /2 to reconcile Bank accounts at 6.1.2024
 Current a/c £6757.50
 Deposit a/c £11325.098
- 15 To receive items for the next meeting
- 16 Date of next scheduled meeting: Monday 11th March at 7.15 pm Eaton Village Hall

Payments to 6.1.24

SSE inv 87006	73	06/12/2023	123.78
T Brown 3rd qtr 23 expense	74	13/12/2023	227.50
T Brown SLCC 24 subs	75	13/12/2023	62.00
Goadby Marwood VH	76	14/12/2023	2500.00
T Brown Dec 23 salary	77	20/12/2023	307.48
Bank charges		21/12/2023	5.80
Foxwise Accting inv 132201	78	22/12/2023	54.00

Cash book balance	18,082.59
uncleared credits	0.00
uncleared payments	0.00
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Operating	16,492.59
Herbage	470
Allotment Deposits	1120

Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023

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NALC has issued the following guidance:

We have issued legal briefing L02-23 to take into account the Government's amendment to the Local Government Act 1894 in the form of a new section 19A (as inserted by section 82 of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023), which will come into force on 26 December (England only). NALC is recommending councils follow the Government's position, which will mean that councils are not prohibited from using powers, other than in the 1894 Act, for spending money on works to property relating to affairs of the church or held for an ecclesiastical charity. LTN 31E (local council general powers) has been reissued to remove references to the prohibitions that will not apply further to section 19A coming into force. And legal briefing L01-18 has been withdrawn.

So what does this mean in practice?

NALC are now saying that councils can use specific powers to fund works - for example, repairs to clocks fixed to church property (Parish Councils Act 1957 s2) and the maintenance of open churchyards (Local Government Act 1972 s214). In addition, councils can use general powers (Local Government Act 1972 s137 and general power of competence) to fund works where council does not have a specific power. Requests to support a church or ecclesiastical charity need to be considered the same as any other funding request. The usual limitations on s137 expenditure apply.